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Westminster Invites Input on Wakefield Valley Park Master Plan Development Community Meeting to be Held on Wednesday, December 16, 2020

On Wednesday, December 16, 2020, the City of Westminster will hold a community meeting at which City residents and other interested parties can provide input on the development of a master plan for Wakefield Valley Park. The meeting will be held at the Carroll Arts Center, located at 91 West Main Street in Westminster. The City is also offering community members the opportunity to make their voice heard in a virtual setting.

Due to State-mandated capacity limitations, two sessions will be offered for the December 16, 2020 onsite community meeting. The first seating will begin at 6:00 p.m. The second seating will be held at 7:15 p.m. Those wishing to participate in this interactive planning process are asked to RSVP for one of the two available time slots by contacting the City of Westminster Recreation and Parks Department by phone at 410-751-5501 or email at WestminsterRec@westgov.com.

Those who are unable to attend the meeting at the Carroll Arts Center can view the meeting on Facebook Live, but comments and questions posted in the Facebook chat feature will not be monitored or inventoried as part of the public input and data collection process. Rather, those wishing to provide input resulting from viewing the meeting on Facebook Live should email their comments to WakefieldComments@westgov.com.

The December 16, 2020 meeting will also be available for post-production viewing on the City's website (www.westminstermd.gov) from December 18 through December 23, 2020. Comments from the post-production viewing can be submitted via email to wakefieldComments@westgov.com. The public comment period will remain open through December 23, 2020.

Westminster Mayor Joe Dominick stated, "The development of a master plan for Wakefield Valley Park is one of the priority projects included in the City's adopted Strategic Plan. The master plan will provide a foundation for the future phased development of the property, and also lay the groundwork for future City grant applications to finance park improvements. I encourage all community members to take advantage of the opportunity to make their voice heard at the December 16, 2020 meeting, as well as participating in future meetings that will be publicized on the City's website and social media sites."

On September 14, 2020, the Mayor and Common Council authorized execution of a contract with Pennoni Associates, Inc. to assist the City with the development of the master plan. The project is funded with grant monies from the Land and Water Conservation Fund.